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F. W. in 33 yrs? memory!!
FOUR CHARGES AGAINST JERUSALEM *Dissolate* 45.
Zephaniah 3:1-4 (or BOOK OF ZEPHANIAH)

INT: Little-known book: 36th in O. T., 9th of Minor prophets.
3 chapters, 53 verses. Date: 640 B. C. Days of Josiah.

FIELD OF ART: Paints Zep. as man with lamp searching for sinners
in Jerusalem so that God may find & punish them.

LESSON: What he finds in his search. Four charges!

I. OUTLINE OF ZEPHANIAH.

- Punishment coming.*
A. God's people, Judah, are indicted for sin.
B. Outside nations convicted and condemned for sin.
(God never entirely abandoned ANY of His creation.)
C. Vision of glory and grandure for Jewish nation.
Remnant!

II. FOUR CHARGES AGAINST THE JEWISH CAPITAL CITY (people).

A. Obedied not the voice of God. Led to Syncretism (Compro

"Burden"
1. Ex. 23:2 the warning. Zeph. 1:2-6.*
Ex. 1:17 2. Same as voices of Ashdod, mixed. Neh. 13:23-24, 25.*

3. Ill. 3. *Like skepti & sin. W. right? 400 lbs. on corpse.*
B. Received not correction from the Lord. *Hunt? No! Kill!*

1. Turned God off and closed down history. Gen. 2:17.

Prov. 1:7-9. 12:15. 14:12. 22:15.

2. The penalty will be severe. Zeph. 1:14-18.*

Major Whittle. Instructed guard. 3 already died!
C. Trusted not in God. *1st a hog & 2nd & 3rd = shot 4 th. in independent garrison. alect.*

1. Violated the wisdom of the ages. Prov. 3:5-10.*

2. Rejected their own Psalms. Ps. 37:3-7.

Ch. 1. D. Drew not Near to God. *cover up sin. native knock in motor? No! Cause I loosened a fender.*

1. Vs. 9. Leaped on threshold, master's house etc.

2. Vs. 8. Clothed in strange apparel (foreign), seeking to be different, bazaar, exotic, proud.

3. CONSEQUENCES: Judah captured 606 B. C., exiled by Nebuchadnezzar, imprisoned, king blinded, temple destroyed and Jerusalem a memory!!!

4. *Later: Return to them to aid & bless. 3:9-20.**

INV:

Jerusalem given every chance: Warned & threatened.

Sinners warned today too: Luke 13:3. Mk. 16:15-16. *PROMISED.*

I Pet. 3:12-13. I Pet. 4:18. II Pet. 2:21.

Can any of Jerusalem's charges be made against you? IF SO, REMOVE THEM RIGHT NOW

REVIEW AS WE STAND TO SING.